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To Whom it May Concern,

I am writing as a concerned consumer who feels that once again the Government has gotten involved in something that has nothing to do with them. We hear of monopoly on the part of Microsoft, yet I am confused as to when it became monopoly instead of competition between like businesses. If other companies fail to compete on the same level as Microsoft because they don't have the funds or the management in place to do so it is not a monopoly. It is smart business!

I use to own a heating company that was not the largest in the area and certainly was not the smallest however did it mean the companies who were larger had a monopoly over us and we over the smaller companies. I think this whole thing is ridiculous. Why don't you go after Qwest, after all they are the phone carrier for my area and I cannot choose anyone else to provide me service because of this. Their service is horrible and I spend 2 or 3 days every other month without phone service because they just cannot seem to find a permanent repair to fix the problem. How about A T & T Broadband who provides my cable. They are the only company in my area therefore I am stuck with them because no one else is allowed to provide me coverage. That is my idea of a monopoly pure and simple.

It is time to settle this ridiculous lawsuit that the Clinton Administration started, stop wasting the tax payers money and be done with it. I recommend the Courts agree with the settlement that has been proposed.

Thank You

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